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MEMORANDUM FOR: Members, Panel on the Use of Classified Intelligence  
Information by Drug Enforcement Agencies

FROM:

SUBJECT: Panel Meeting on Friday, 2 December

1. The attached memorandum contains corrected notes of the 18 November Panel Meeting and results of subsequent meetings with LEA representatives. Also attached are concerns and recommendations.

2. Based upon the discussions of the Panel to date, including recent comments of the LEA representatives, various concerns have been expressed by both Intelligence Community and LEA representatives. Certain recommendations have been favorably received; others require more discussion. The concerns and recommendations are set forth in the attached to allow the full Panel an overall review of the issues raised for further discussion at the meeting scheduled for 2 December.

3. Also, the listing is intended to assist in formulating final positions by the Panel members and is open to suggested changes or additions.

Attachments: As stated

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CONCERN

1. Law enforcement agencies operate mainly under administrative procedures to control information requiring protection. Consequently, most LEA personnel handle little if any classified information and are not indoctrinated as to the need for proper handling and protection.

RECOMMENDATION

1. The law enforcement agencies with Intelligence Community support and assistance, training programs to indoctrinate personnel on the sensitivities of intelligence sources and methods, particularly when cleared for SCI, and instruct as to properly identifying, handling, and using classified intelligence to assure protection.

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CONCERN

2. Present communication and data systems within the law enforcement agencies are not secure and cannot accommodate any classified intelligence unless major physical security improvements are made.

RECOMMENDATION

2. The Intelligence Community support the major physical security measures being taken or planned by LEAs to securely disseminate and store classified information.

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CONCERN

3. There is a proliferation of requests for SCI clearances for law enforcement personnel, including prosecutors, which fail to indicate any impelling "need to know." The requests indicate a lack of understanding as to the nature and sensitivities of the information being requested.

RECOMMENDATION

3. Requests for SCI clearances for law enforcement personnel, through whatever channels, must be carefully reviewed and strictly evaluated as "need to know." Any such clearances issued are to be carefully monitored under appropriate procedures to assure the existence of a continuous need.

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CONCERN

4. Law enforcement agencies may utilize classified intelligence in their operations in such a manner as to jeopardize intelligence sources and methods.

RECOMMENDATION

4. a. Intelligence Community agencies should disseminate intelligence at the lowest level of classification necessary to meet law enforcement requirements.

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b. Sensitive sources and methods should not be disclosed except when absolutely necessary and only within established channels.

c. Guidelines for sanitization and other procedures for dissemination and use of intelligence be issued for Intelligence Community agencies to process LEA requirements.

d. A representative of the Intelligence Community be assigned to joint law enforcement /intelligence facilities, such as NNBIS, to assure the proper utilization of intelligence in accordance with security requirements. Such

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RECOMMENDATION (cont.)

assignment to be dependent upon the volume of intelligence disseminated and utilized. The intelligence representative is best drawn from the agency of primary interest and can represent other intelligence agencies as appropriate.

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CONCERN

5. [redacted]  
[redacted] there is still confusion as what constitutes "wholly law enforcement" information and what law enforcement agencies may or may not classify. This raises concerns in those instances where Intelligence Community interests are affected and classification would provide added protection both to the law enforcement and intelligence agencies.

RECOMMENDATION

5. The Intelligence Community [redacted]  
[redacted] promote a better understanding and proper utilization of the classification system by law enforcement agencies. Such support serves the interests of both the intelligence and law enforcement agencies by identifying those matters of national interest which require protection.

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MEMORANDUM FOR: Members, Panel on the Use of Classified Intelligence  
Information by Drug Enforcement Agencies

FROM: [REDACTED]

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SUBJECT: I. Corrected Notes of the 18 November 1983 Panel Meeting  
II. Results of Discussions with LEA Representatives After  
the Meeting

I. Corrected Notes of the 18 November 1983 Panel Meeting:

A. The Panel met from 1000 to 1200 on 18 November, in Room 6N05, [REDACTED]  
Building. A list of attendees is attached.

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B. [REDACTED] welcomed the law enforcement representatives as members of  
the Panel. He explained that the membership to date has been comprised only  
of Intelligence Community representatives to first discuss their concerns for  
the protection of intelligence and intelligence sources and methods as raised  
in the Narcotics Working Group meetings and then posing them to the law  
enforcement agencies. He noted that the Working Paper circulated to the law  
enforcement representatives reflected those concerns and was intended to  
solicit comments for discussion at the meeting.

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Panel on the Use of Classified Intelligence Information by  
Drug Enforcement Agencies

LIST OF ATTENDEES  
18 November 1983

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Richard Bly

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Justice

Richard Strobel

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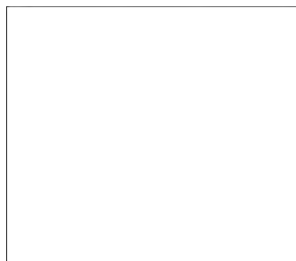
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CMDR James Kenney

US Coast Guard

LCMDR Mark O'Hara

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